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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENVIRONMENT AGREEMENT, PROJECT 1.4: URBAN TRANSPORTATION

- 1. REQUEST EMBASSY TRANSMIT FOLLOWING LETTER FROM MARTIN CONVISSER, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TO R.V. GORBANEV, CHIEF, TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT, CHIEF PLANNING-ARCHITECTURE OFFICE, INSTITUTE OF THE MASTER PLAN OF MOSCOW.
- 2. "DEAR MR. GORBANEV: I RECEIVED YOUR LETTER OF JUNE 9 ONLY ON AUGUST 8, AND YOUR FEELING THAT I NEVER RECEIVED YOUR MARCH 12 LETTER WAS CORRECT.

"I THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND REMARKS REGARDING YOUR RECENT VISIT HERE, AND I AM PLEASED TO KNOW THAT YOU CONSIDERED OUR WORKING MEETINGS SUCCESSFUL. I, TOO, WAS PLEASED WITH THE RESULTS.

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"BECAUSE OF THE VERY LATE ARRIVAL OF YOUR JUNE 9 LETTER, I

REGRET THAT IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR US TO ACCEPT YOUR KIND INVITATION TO VISIT THE SOVIET UNION BEGINNING AUGUST 30; WE SIMPLY HAVE NO TIME IN WHICH TO ASSEMBLE AND PREPARE A DELEGATION. I DO, HOWEVER, APPRECIATE YOUR SENDING A PROPOSED ITINERARY FOR OUR VISIT, AND I WILL SOON SEND YOU OUR RESPONSE TO THE ITINERARY, A SUGGESTED ALTERNATE DATE FOR OUR VISIT, AND OUR PROPOSED DRAFT OUTLINE OF THE PROJECTED US-USSR JOINT REPORT.

"IN VIEW OF THE DELAY IN THE LETTER'S ARRIVAL HERE, MAY I SUGGEST THAT FOR ANY MESSAGES YOU WISH COMMUNICATED TO ME YOU PASS THEM TO THE SCIENCE COUNSELOR OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW, WHO WILL IN TURN DISPATCH THEM TO THE APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS. IF YOU WISH TO SEND A FORMAL LETTER, AGAIN, SEND IT TO THE SCIENCE COUNSELOR OF THE EMBASSY AND HE WILL POUCH IT TO ME WITHIN APPROXIMATELY ONE WEEK. THIS SEEMS THE MOST EXPEDIENT METHOD OF COMMUNICATION, AND WOULD AVOID LONG DELAYS OR THE POSSIBILITY THAT YOUR LETTERS MIGHT NOT BE RECEIVED.

"AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR KIND LETTER. PLEASE SEND MY REGARDS TO EACH MEMBER OF THE SOVIET DELEGATION. I LOOK FORWARD TO MEETING WITH YOU AGAIN THIS FALL. SINCERELY;"

3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY DELIVERING COPIES OF CONVISSER'S LETTER TO YURI A. STAVNICHY, CHIEF OF TRANSPORTATION SECTION, CENTRAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF TOWN BUILDING, AND TO KAZAKOV OF HYDROMET. SISCO

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